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BOUNEDIENE SPECIFICALLY NOTED THAT AN EARLIER FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR A SPECIAL UN SESSION ON ENERGY PROBLEMS WOULD BECOME MEANINGFUL ONLY IF SUCH A SESSION INSTEAD DEALT WITH THE BROADER PROBLEM OF RAW MATERIALS. HE BASED HIS REQUEST ON THE FRENCH PROPOSAL AND ON RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE FOURTH NONALIGNED SUMMIT CONFERENCE HELD IN ALGERIA LAST SEPTEMBER. THESE RESOLUTIONS, LARGELY DRAFTED BY ALGERIA, CALLED FOR A NEW SYSTEM OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING STATES AND FOR NONALIGNED STATES TO ASSERT GREATER CONTROL OVER THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES.

THE ALGERIAN PROPOSAL IS CONSISTENT WITH BOUMEDIENE'S LONG HELD BELIEF IN THE RIGHT OF DEVELOPING STATES TO ASSERT THEIR SOVEREIGNTY OVER THEIR OWN NATURAL RESOURCES AND IN THE NEED TO REDEFINE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS TO THE BENEFIT OF DEVELOPING STATES. BOUMEDIENE, CURRENTLY HEAD OF THE NONALIGNED MOVEMENT, HOPES TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FRENCH PROPOSAL TO SERVE BROADER NONALIGNED OBJECTIVES.

2. GOMMEDIENE IS ALSO SEEKING TO REGAIN THE INITIATIVE ON THE  
INTERNATIONAL SCENE AT A TIME WHEN HIS THIRD WORLD LEADERSHIP WAS

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BEING ECLIPSED BY DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. A UN SESSION  
MOREOVER WOULD PERMIT ALGERIA TO REDIRECT TO A LARGER FORUM AN  
INDIAN AND YUGOSLAV REQUEST FOR A MEETING OF NONALIGNED FOREIGN  
MINISTERS, THAT WOULD HAVE RISKED A CONFRONTATION BETWEEN OIL PRO-  
DUCERS AND DEVELOPING STATE CONSUMERS OVER SUPPLIES AND PRICES.  
IN A UN SETTING, <sup>3</sup> BOUMEDIENE WOULD TRY TO AVOID SUCH A CONFRONTATION  
AND, HEARING HIS NONALIGNED NAT, CALL FOR A BROADER DISCUSSION OF  
ESTABLISHING A NEW ECONOMIC FRAMEWORK TO MEET THE HOST OF PROBLEMS  
CONFRONTING THE LESS DEVELOPED STATES IN THE WORLD.

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